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H.B. No. 3953

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to penalties for intoxicated manslaughter

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Title 10, Chapter 49, Sec. 49.08, Penal code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 49.08. INTOXICATION MANSLAUGHTER. (a) A person commits an offense if the person:

(1) operates a motor vehicle in a public place, operates an aircraft, a watercraft, or an amusement ride, or assembles a mobile amusement ride; and

(2) is intoxicated and by reason of that intoxication causes the death of another by accident or mistake.

(b) Except as provided by Section 49.09, an offense under this section is a felony of the first [~~second~~] degree.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.